

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA  
NINETY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 1148**

FINAL READING

Introduced by Jensen, 20; Connealy, 16; Cudaback, 36; Price, 26;  
Preister, 5

Read first time January 17, 2002

Committee: Health and Human Services

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to prescription drug assistance; to amend  
2 section 71-7605, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2001; to  
3 provide duties for the Health and Human Services  
4 Committee of the Legislature; to harmonize provisions; to  
5 repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.  
6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1                   Section 1.     Pursuant to section 71-7611.06, the Health  
2     and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall conduct  
3     research and provide recommendations to the Legislature and to the  
4     Governor relating to the provision of prescription drug assistance  
5     to persons in the State of Nebraska. The committee shall consult  
6     with members of the Legislature, the Governor, the Department of  
7     Health and Human Services, the Department of Health and Human  
8     Services Regulation and Licensure, the Department of Health and  
9     Human Services Finance and Support, the Policy Cabinet, the  
10    Department of Insurance, the Department of Revenue, political  
11    subdivisions, area agencies on aging, pharmacists, pharmaceutical  
12    manufacturers, organizations advocating for the elderly,  
13    organizations advocating for persons with mental illness, health  
14    care providers, insurance companies, and other interested persons.  
15    The committee shall provide its recommendations to the Legislature  
16    and to the Governor on or before December 1, 2002. This section  
17    shall terminate on January 1, 2003.

18                   Sec. 2.     Section 71-7605, Revised Statutes Supplement,  
19     2001, is amended to read:

20                   71-7605.   Sections 71-7605 to 71-7614 and section 1 of  
21    this act shall be known and may be cited as the Nebraska Health  
22    Care Funding Act.

23                   Sec. 3.     Original section 71-7605, Revised Statutes  
24    Supplement, 2001, is repealed.

25                   Sec. 4.     Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect  
26    when passed and approved according to law.